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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

National Intelligence Officers

24 March 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, National Intelligence Steering Group

SUBJECT : Interagency Paper on Brazil-FRG Nuclear Deal

1. An interagency working group reconvened on 23 March, under the chairmanship of the Assistant NIO for Western Europe, to discuss the nuclear agreement between West Germany and Brazil. (The first meeting of this group took place on 17 February.) Policy people (from State and the NSC Staff) as well as other NIOs and representatives of CIA, DIA, and INR participated (list of participants attached). A main objective was to discern areas in which the Intelligence Community might provide policy support -- in terms of collection and analysis -- beyond what it is already giving.

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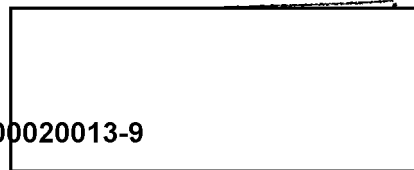


3. The attached list of points to be addressed in such a paper was discussed, amended, and approved at our meeting yesterday. In the margin we have indicated appropriate drafting responsibilities. I would welcome your endorsement of proceeding in this way, and specifically your cooperation in assigning David Smith (INR), [redacted] (CIA), and [redacted] (DIA) to prepare appropriate portions of the initial draft.

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4. To be of most use, our assessment should be available to policy people well before the President meets Chancellor Schmidt in early May. We propose to get drafting started next week with the aim of having an integrated paper in two weeks or so. We anticipate close consultation with US Missions in Brasilia and Bonn, and would send a

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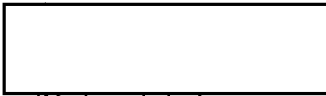
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draft to the field for comment.

5. We would like to invite the representatives named above to a meeting here on Tuesday, 29 March, to sharpen the terms of reference and the tasking. I request your concurrence by phone.



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Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence

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Attachments

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